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In re PATENT APPLICATION of) Group Art Unit: 1205) Attorney Docket No. 205.7
Kim et al) Examiner: Weddington, K.
Serial No: 08/735,385)
Filed: October 21, 1996)
Title: Piperidine Compounds)
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Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This is responsive to the Patent and Trademark Office action mailed July 9, 1997. A request for a FOUR MONTH extension of time is submitted herewith, whereby the time for response expires on December 9, 1997.

Amendment

In view of the requirement for restriction/election, and under the protection of 35 U.S.C. §121, please provisionally cancel Claims 2, 6-9 and 54 without prejudice to Applicants' rights to pursue the canceled subject matter in divisional/continuation applications.

Please amend Claim 55 as follows:

55. (Amended) A method of inhibiting the activity of neuraminidase comprising the step of contacting a sample suspected of containing neuraminidase with the composition of Claim 1 [or 2].

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